GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2731
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2003
TRIBAL CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING DEVELOPMENT FEDERATION
A. VENKATESH NAIK

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Tribal Co-operative Marketing Development Federation has planned for procurement of major non nationalized Minor Forest Produce items from various States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the purchasing centres in this regard have been finalized;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(e) whether any financial assistance has also been given to States particularly to Karnataka for this purpose; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) to(d) As per the amended Bye-laws ofTRIFED the main object of the organization is to serve the interest of its members through self help and mutual cooperation for undertaking marketing development of the tribal products. Keeping in line with the mandate, the activities of the organization is not trading but marketing development of tribal products.

(e) & (f) Under the scheme of Grant-in-aid scheme of State Tribal D~`dopment Cooperative Corporation, funds are released to the States for procurement ofninor Forest Produce. Details of the funds released to the States during the last three years`-are given at Annexure-I. However, no fund has been released to Karnataka during this period.

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT TO BE WITH REGARD TO PARTs (e) & (f) OF LOK SABRA UNTARRED QUESTION NO. 2731 FOR 19.12.2003.

(Rs. in lakhs)

State	Year 2000-2001	Year 2001-02	Year 2002-03
1 Andhra Pradesh	150.00	520.00	480.00
2 Gujarat	150.00	-	-
3 Kerala	-	-	225.00
4 Meghalaya	-	47.00	100.00
5 Orissa	192.00	200.00	400.00
6 Rajasthan	-	251.61	119.37
7 Maharashtra	350.00	200.00	-
8 Tripura	-	62.06	122.00
9 West Bengal	-	-	53.63